Polish

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1 Overview

Language family:	Indo-European (Slavic)
Countries:	Poland, Germany, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Lithuania, parts of Latvia, bordering Kresy regions of Western Ukraine and Western Belarus
Number of speakers:	45 million
Agreement features:	number, person
Attested word orders:	SV
Coordination types:	and, or

(The data were entered by a native speaker via an online survey.)

2 Patterns for number

2.1 Coordination with "and"

2.1.1 SV order

Pattern: The number on the verb is plural in all cases.

2nd conjunct / 1st conjunct	sg	pl
sg	pl	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

(1)   Chłopiec i   mężczyzna biegną.
        boy.SG   and man.SG   run.3PL
        'The boy and the man run.'

(2)   a.   Chłopcy i   mężczyzna biegną.
              boy.PL   and man.SG   run
              'The boys and the man run.'
        b.   Chłopiec i   mężczyźni biegną.
              boy.SG   and man.PL   run.3PL
              'The boy and the men run.'

2.2 Coordination with "or"

2.2.1 SV order

Pattern: The number on the verb is plural, unless both conjuncts are singular.

2nd conjunct / 1st conjunct	sg	pl
sg	sg	pl
pl	pl	pl

Examples:

(3)   Chłopiec lub/albo mężczyzna biegnie.
        boy.SG   or   man.SG   run.3SG
        'The boy or the man run.'

(4)   a.   Chłopcy lub/albo meżczyzna biegną.
              boy.PL   or   man.SG   run.3PL
              'The boys or the man run.'
        b.   Chłopiec lub/albo mężczyźni biegną.
              boy.SG   or   man.PL   run.3PL
              'The boy or the men run.'

3 Patterns for person

3.1 Coordination with "and"

3.1.1 SV order

Pattern: Person seems to follow a hierarchy. (If there is a first person conjunct, the verb is marked for first person. (Number is resolved to plural.)

2nd conjunct / 1st conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

(5)   a.   Ty i   ja biegniemy.
            you and I run.1PL
            'You and I run.'
       b.   Ja i   ty biegniemy.
            I   and you run.1PL
            'I and you run.'

(6)   a.   My i   oni biegniemy.
            we and they run.1PL
            'We and they run.'
       b.   Oni i   my biegniemy.
            They and we run.1PL
            'They and we run.'

3.2 Coordination with "or"

3.2.1 SV order

Pattern: Person seems to follow a hierarchy. (If there is a first person conjunct, the verb is marked for first person. (Number is resolved to plural.)

2nd conjunct / 1st conjunct	1	2	3
1		1pl	1pl
2	1pl		
3	1pl		

Examples:

(7)   a.   Ty lub/albo ja biegniemy.
            you or   I run.1PL
            'You or I run.'
       b.   Ja lub/albo ty   biegniemy.
            I or   you run.1PL
            'I or you run.'

(8)   a.   My lub/albo oni biegniemy.
                 we or   they run.1PL
                 'We or they run.'

       b.   Oni lub/albo my biegniemy.
                 they or   we run.1PL
                 'They or we run.'